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SUBJECT: US BASES IN ANTIGUA

1. EMBASSY HAS JUST RECEIVED LETTER FROM ANTIGUAN
PREMIER VERE C. BRID, SUBSTANTIVE PARAGRAPHS OF WHICH
READ AS FOLLOWS:

"THE AGREEMENT UNDER WHICH THE UNITED STATES
GOVERNMENT OCCUPIES CERTAIN AREAS OF LAND, FOR MILITARY
PURPOSES, IN ANTIGUA WILL EXPIRE AT THE END OF 1977.

"AS YOU ARE AWARE MY GOVERNMENT HAS RECENTLY BEEN
ELECTED AND IS CURRENTLY ENGAGED IN THE PREPARATION OF
AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE NEXT 3-5 YEARS
AND I WOULD VERY MUCH APPRECIATE BEING ADVISED AS TO
WHETHER OR NOT YOUR GOVERNMENT WOULD WISH TO CONTINUE
TO USE THE FACILITIES IN ANTIGUA AFTER 1977.

"I WOULD SUGGEST, SUBJECT TO YOUR GOVERNMENT'S
CONCURRENCE, THAT OFFICIALS OF MY GOVERNMENT MEET WITH
OFFICIALS OF YOUR GOVERNMENT IN WASHINGTON ABOUT THE
MIDDLE OF SEPTEMBER 1976 TO DISCUSS THIS SUBJECT."

2. REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS AS TO SUBSTANCE OF
REPLY.

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